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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

Re: *Applications for Authority to Transfer Control to Sprint Corporation
Licenses and Authorizations Held by Nextel Communications, Inc., WT
Docket No. 05-63*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

By letter dated May 6, 2005, the Commission's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau requested that ALLTELL Corporation ("ALLTEL") provide certain information to assist the Commission in reviewing the above-referenced applications.¹ The May 6 Letter states that any such information submitted by ALLTEL "will be treated as confidential pursuant to the Protective Order issued in WT Docket No. 05-63, on February 16, 2005."² ALLTEL hereby notifies you that it has submitted the requested material under separate cover consistent with the procedures established in the May 6 Letter. In that regard, ALLTEL's response is provided subject to all of the protections of the Protective Order and the following additional conditions.

First, ALLTEL's willingness to provide the requested information is specifically predicated on Mr. Delacourt's assurance in the May 6 Letter that ALLTEL's response will be treated as confidential under the Protective Order. To that end, ALLTEL has signified its good faith belief that the material should be protected from public disclosure under the Protective Order, the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), and the Commission's implementing rules by designating the documents "Confidential Information – Subject to Protective Order in WT Docket No. 05-63 before the Federal Communications Commission." To the extent, however, that any further action is necessary to protect ALLTEL's response from public disclosure,

¹ Letter from Scott D. Delacourt, Deputy Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, to Mr. Glenn S. Rabin, ALLTEL Corporation (dated May 6, 2005) ("May 6 Letter").

² *Applications for the Transfer of Control to Sprint Corporation of Licenses and Authorizations Held by Nextel Communications, Inc.,* WT Docket No. 05-63, Order Adopting Protective Order, DA 05-423 (rel. Feb. 16, 2005) ("Protective Order").

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ALLTEL requests that you deem this letter to be a request to withhold the material from public disclosure pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 0.459.

Second, ALLTEL requests that the Commission provide it notice and an opportunity to object should any party request to inspect the materials outside of the procedures provided in the Protective Order. To that end, ALLTEL specifically preserves any and all administrative and judicial remedies available under FOIA and the Commission's implementing rules to protect the materials from review by the public.

Third, ALLTEL's response is being provided voluntarily. ALLTEL therefore requests, pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 0.459(e), that the materials submitted in response to the May 6 Letter be returned should the Commission decline to extend these materials confidential treatment for any reason whatsoever.

Finally, and in any event, ALLTEL requests that the Commission return the materials submitted in response to the May 6 Letter not less than two weeks after conclusion of the referenced proceeding (WT Docket No. 05-63) and any administrative or judicial review.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

/s/

Glenn S. Rabin, Vice President,
Federal Communications Counsel
ALLTEL Corporation